

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan *WCS*

DATE: 8/23/68

FROM : D. J. Brennan, Jr. *DJB*

SUBJECT: *CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES AT 1968 OLYMPIC GAMES
IN MEXICO CITY, MEXICO
FOREIGN POLICE COOPERATION

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We are recommending that the attached SAC Letter be sent to the field instructing our offices to alert appropriate sources and report any information concerning the identity and plans including travel, of known United States criminals who are planning to visit Mexico City for the 1968 Olympic Games scheduled for 10/12-27/68.

Enclosure - *Sach detached*

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- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Gale
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Bishop
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - [REDACTED]
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Memorandum to Mr. W. C. Sullivan
RE: CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES AT 1968 OLYMPIC GAMES IN MEXICO CITY
FOREIGN POLICE COOPERATION

As a matter of cooperation, the Legat has suggested that either major offices in the United States be notified of this matter or that all offices be advised by an SAC Letter. In view of the world-wide interest in the Olympics, we feel that an SAC Letter is appropriate concerning this matter.

[REDACTED] would be most beneficial to his liaison program.

67D In connection with dissemination of information to the [REDACTED] the Legat has stated that letters or airtels should be used depending upon the urgency of the information since any such information will be translated by his office and neither the Bureau nor the Legat's office will be identified as the source of any information disseminated.

ACTION:

Attached for approval is an SAC Letter in line with the foregoing.

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9/3/68
SAC LETTER 68-51

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(D) ~~CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES AT 1968 OLYMPIC GAMES IN MEXICO~~
(U) ~~CITY - FOREIGN POLICE COOPERATION~~

^{b7D} [REDACTED] the 1968 Olympic Games to be held in Mexico City from October 12, 1968, through October 27, 1968 [REDACTED] ^{RFW}

All offices should alert appropriate sources concerning this matter and promptly advise the Bureau of any information received under the above caption. In view of the fact that data reported will require translation, no letterhead memoranda should be prepared. Instead, information should be furnished by letter or airtel depending on urgency. It should incorporate complete descriptive data including particular criminal specialties, FBI number and photograph, if available, and any other data of interest [REDACTED] ^{RFW}

^{b7D} Arrangements have been made by the Legal Attache, Mexico City, for concealment of the FBI as the source of information for any data disseminated. Information forwarded to the Legal Attache by the Bureau will be made available [REDACTED]

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[62-112477] ^{RFW}
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Date: 9/6/68

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, DALLAS (163-158) (RUC)

SUBJECT: CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES AT 1968
OLYMPIC GAMES IN MEXICO CITY *MEXICO*
FOREIGN POLICE COOPERATION

OO-BUREAU

Re SAC Letter 68-51, dated 9/3/68.

Enclosed for Detroit are two (2) photostat copies of checks drawn on The Detroit Bank & Trust Company, Detroit, Michigan, dated 8/23/68, and signed by [REDACTED] b7c

The following investigation was conducted by SA [REDACTED] b7c
[REDACTED] on 8/30/68:AT WAXAHACHIE, TEXAS

[REDACTED], Waxahachie PD, furnished the following information:

On 8/28/68, that department received a telephone complaint from [REDACTED] Waxahachie, stating that [REDACTED] stayed at [REDACTED] for three nights and left owing a \$14.00 telephone bill.

- 3 - Bureau (RM)
 - 5 - Detroit (Enc. 2) (RM)
 - 1 - Dallas
- GLG/jc
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to Legat Mexico City
by 0-7
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LIAISON

C. C. - Bishop

Approved: 9/3/68

Special Agent in Charge

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[redacted] assisted by other Waxahachie police officers located [redacted] and associates on the outskirts of Waxahachie. Officers were given voluntary permission to search their vehicles, which were described as [redacted]

b7C [redacted] In the search officers located two Italian Brevettata .22 caliber revolvers bearing serial numbers B4679 and B54400, both Model 999, which fire only blanks. Officers also found a General Electric tape recorder, type 6VDC, Serial No. 201A2483, Model RP 3030A.

b7C [redacted] played a tape recording which was found with the above tape recorder. [redacted] it as a recording of a rally, purpose or place not identified. He recalled statements made by speakers as, "Most of the voting is for whites, but blacks don't have to go to the polls to rule, because we have Black Power, Black Power, Black Power!:" Another speaker stated, "Just the other day [redacted] was overruled, but look at him now - Black Power, Black Power!:" [redacted] of the tape was not clear due to background noise and dialect of speakers.

During the search, officers also found bull whips, machettes and literature concerning black power.

b7C [redacted] accompanied [redacted] back to police headquarters. Inquiry by Waxahachie Police with Michigan authorities determined above-described vehicles were not stolen and owners were not wanted. It was reported that [redacted]

[redacted] was in process of being transferred to [redacted] but [redacted]

b7C None of the property found by the police in the search was retained and [redacted] paid the \$14.00 telephone bill, he and his associate were released.

b7C After their departure from Waxahachie, [redacted] received a reply from NCIC that above described tape recorder was reported stolen at Hillsboro, Oregon, no other details furnished.

[REDACTED] made available photostats of two checks which were cashed by [REDACTED] at the Citizens National Bank, Waxahachie, Texas, on 8/28/68, after determining that these checks were good. Both checks dated 8/23/68 were drawn on [REDACTED]

b7C * [REDACTED] signed [REDACTED] Checks had printed notation, "Reissued For Stolen Check." One check was made payable to [REDACTED] in the amount of \$60.00. This check was endorsed by [REDACTED]

The second check was made out to [REDACTED] for \$70.00 and endorsed by [REDACTED] same address.

[REDACTED] furnished the following descriptions

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Name
Race
Sex
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Height
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Occupation

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[REDACTED]

Name
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[redacted] advised that no photographs or fingerprints were taken of the two men. They [redacted] that they were en route to Mexico City to attend the Olympics. They said they had the machettes to hack their way through the bushes in Mexico.

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[redacted] stated that [redacted] had registered there with a party of six others for two suites totaling \$53.00 per day. No other names were furnished. [redacted] listed his employment [redacted]

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[redacted] advised that [redacted] received a Western Union Money Order on 8/26/68, in the amount of \$300 from [redacted]. The money order was actually issued at Waxahachie and was deposited in [redacted] account after being cashed for [redacted]. The sender of the money order was not known.

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[redacted] said he had little contact with [redacted] and none with other members of the party. [redacted] that they were going to the Olympics.

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Additional copies of this airtel are being furnished Detroit for possible subject files on individuals mentioned above.

LEADS:

DETROIT

AT DETROIT, MICHIGAN. Will furnish Bureau any additional background information regarding above-mentioned individuals to assist Mexican authorities.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan *JSW*

DECLASSIFIED BY SP3 BTJ/BA
ON 6/4/97 376066

DATE: 9/26/68

FROM : W. R. Wannall *WRW*

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SUBJECT: OLYMPIC GAMES, MEXICO CITY, MEXICO
OCTOBER 12-27, 1968

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PURPOSE:

To seek approval of Letter to All Special Agents in Charge (SACs) alerting them to furnish information indicating involvement by persons in United States in attempt to disrupt games or use games as situs for espionage directed against United States.

BACKGROUND:

Current student riots in Mexico City, influx of large number of communist contingents to Olympic games and racial overtones of current boycotts of the games give weight to fears by Mexican Government of leftist attempts to disrupt the international proceedings.

U.S. RAMIFICATIONS:

While there have been no allegations of direction of current Mexican student unrest by U. S. subversive elements, we do know that individuals from this country with subversive backgrounds have been arrested for participation therein. Arrested have been members of militant Black Panther Party, representatives of the National Lawyers Guild and persons active in facets of peace and "New Left" movements in the United States.

Enclosure - *attached*
62-112471 *JSW*

ERH:brr (8)

- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Training Division
- 1 - Mr. Wannall

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- 1 - Mr. C. D. Brennan
- 1 - Mr. G. C. Moore
- 1 - [redacted]

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Memorandum to Mr. W. C. Sullivan
RE: OLYMPIC GAMES, MEXICO CITY, MEXICO
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OBSERVATIONS:

The current tensions in Mexico City point toward possibility that Olympic games will be used as a focal point for demonstrations and activity favoring leftist, subversive and militant racial elements. It is not impossible persons from the United States may gravitate to Mexico City in furtherance of these demonstrations and activity. The field should be alert to such movement and appropriately advise Bureau instituting investigations called for if current investigations are not being conducted regarding individuals involved.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That all offices be alerted to furnish information received indicating travel to Mexico of persons in United States with background and activity of nature described above.

If approved, attached SAC Letter will be sent.

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(G) OLYMPIC GAMES, MEXICO CITY, MEXICO - OCTOBER 12-27, 1968 -- Information from our domestic investigations and data supplied by the Legal Attache in Mexico City indicate political climate in Mexico City and tensions created by racial and political pressure groups could result in serious detriment to tranquility necessary for successful outcome of the international Olympic games. Individuals and groups within United States could participate in activities related to the games which are of importance to the Bureau in its internal security investigations and to the Mexican Government in the latter's endeavor to provide full security for the Olympic contestants and successful outcome of this international athletic event. ~~u~~

The principal threat to the games currently is the violence and political unrest created by current student demonstrations in Mexico City which have been the subject of considerable publicity. While there have been no positive allegations that these demonstrations are receiving support or direction by factions within the United States, it is known that individual citizens of the United States, possessing histories of subversive activity, have been arrested for personal participation in the riots. Among such individuals arrested were members of the Black Panther Party, representatives of the National Lawyers Guild and other individuals who have in the past participated in "peace" and "New Left" activities in the United States. ~~u~~

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[REDACTED] Anti-Castro exiles in the past have made similar plans and have traveled abroad to attack Cuban establishments. It can be expected that they will plan various militant anti-Castro activities during the games. Such activities could include assassination attempts against or kidnaping attempts of the Cuban officials and athletes attending the games; bombings of various buildings housing the Cuban contingent; and demonstrations of various types. ~~u~~

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You should immediately alert your established sources to the Bureau's interest in the travel to Mexico City of persons possessing backgrounds of activity in the areas previously mentioned where such travel purportedly is to attend the 1968 Olympics. Where data has been received which would assist in pinpointing potential contacts of such individuals when they arrive in Mexico City, that information should be furnished along with suitable background regarding the subject involved appropriate for dissemination to interested U. S. Government agencies, as well as to the Mexican Government where advisable. ~~(u)~~

Information called for above should be furnished to the Bureau under the caption of the individual subjects involved with a copy of your communication designated to the Bureau's file "Olympic Games, Mexico City, Mexico, October 12-27, 1968," (Bureau file 62-112471). u

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover

Director

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1 - Mr. DeLoach
 1 - Mr. Bishop
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 1 - [REDACTED]

TO LEGAT MEXICO CITY

FROM DIRECTOR FBI (62-112471)

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 ON 6-16-97 396066

OLYMPIC GAMES, MEXICO CITY, MEXICO, OCTOBER TWELVE -
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[REDACTED]
 [REDACTED]
 [REDACTED]
 [REDACTED] HAS DEFINITE BEARING ON SAFETY AND WELL BEING
 OF INTERNATIONALLY KNOWN U.S. ATHLETES PARTICIPATING IN THE
 OLYMPIC GAMES. IT, THEREFORE, APPEARS ADVISABLE TO SEEK OUT
 CHANNEL FOR FURNISHING THIS INFORMATION TO RESPONSIBLE OFFICIALS
 OF THE U.S. OLYMPIC TEAM TO PROVIDE ADEQUATELY FOR SAFETY OF
 TEAM MEMBERS (S) (u)
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IMMEDIATELY ASCERTAIN IDENTITY OF EMBASSY OFFICIAL
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 INSURE THAT PERTINENT INFORMATION IS FURNISHED TO THAT EMBASSY
 OFFICIAL FOR HIS INFORMATION AND ASSISTANCE IN PROVIDING FOR
 SECURITY OF THE TEAM MEMBERS. [EXERCISE UTMOST DISCRETION] (u)

- 1 - 105-158281 (Student Activity, Mexico)
 1 - Foreign Affairs (Route through for review) (u)

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CABLE TO LEGAT, MEXICO CITY
RE: OLYMPIC GAMES, MEXICO CITY, MEXICO
62-112471

[IN DATA FURNISHED BY YOU IN ORDER TO PROVIDE ADEQUATELY FOR
CONCEALMENT OF YOUR SOURCES AND TO PREVENT JEOPARDY TO YOUR
OPERATIONS IN MEXICO.] ^(u) YOU SHOULD ADVISE THE EMBASSY OFFICIAL
THAT HE MAY FURNISH BUREAU INFORMATION TO PERTINENT U. S.
OLYMPIC TEAM OFFICERS AT HIS DISCRETION ONLY WHEN SUCH INFORMA-
TION IS APPROPRIATELY PARAPHRASED AND IF THE BUREAU IS NOT
IDENTIFIED AS THE SOURCE OF THE DATA FURNISHED.

THIS MATTER MUST BE FOLLOWED CLOSELY TO INSURE FULLEST
PROTECTION FOR THE AMERICAN ATHLETES CONCERNED. YOU SHOULD
APPROPRIATELY ADVISE THE BUREAU OF INFORMATION FURNISHED TO
THE U.S. EMBASSY FOR THIS PURPOSE, AS WELL AS NOTING THE
IDENTITY OF THE OFFICER RECEIVING THE INFORMATION FROM YOUR
OFFICE.

NOTE:

See memorandum W. R. Wannall to W. C. Sullivan,
dated 10/8/68, captioned as above, prepared by KRE:brr.

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